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Title: BIOCHIP AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME

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This application is a continuation-in-part (and claims the benefit of priority under 35 USC 120) of U.S. application serial no. 09/451,666, filed November 30, 1999. The disclosure of the prior application is considered part of (and is incorporated by reference in) the disclosure of this application.

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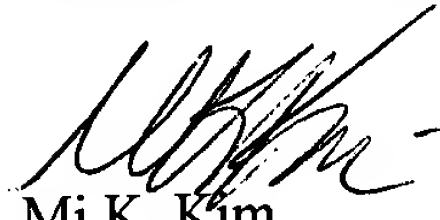
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